

February 13, 2020

House Environment and Transportation Committee

Re: HB481

Dear Committee members,

Please support this Bill. The existing \$25 fine is insufficient, so that SHA seems to have no push to enforce it and, even if they did, those putting up these signs would just consider a fine to be a cost of doing business. The Home Building industry and Realtors obviously oppose this Bill as they are some of the worst offenders.

Anyone who does not think there is a problem just needs to drive along Route 50 by Annapolis any weekend. Every exit is cluttered with signs (always, it seems, put out in identical pairs).

Please do whatever you can to get this problem fixed. Higher fines are a start.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael A. Pierce".

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